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## VIA FACSIMILE to (212)805-7901

Honorable Harold Baer, Jr. United States District Judge United States District Court for the Southern District of New York 500 Pearl St., Room 2230 New York, NY 10007

> Re: Fei v. West LB AG, 07 Civ. 8785 (HB)(FM)

## Dear Judge Baer:

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We represent Plaintiff Philip Fei and the putative class in the above-referenced matter. We write jointly with Defendant regarding the briefing of Plaintiff's Motion for Class Certification. The Pretrial Scheduling Order calls for the motion to be fully briefed on August 15, 2008. The parties do not seek to alter that date. Rather, the parties respectfully request that Your Honor grant a brief extension of the interim briefing dates. Currently, Plaintiff's moving papers are to be served on July 1, 2008 and Defendant's opposition papers are due on August 1, 2008. The parties respectfully request that Your Honor adjourn these interim briefing deadlines to the following dates:

Plaintiff's Motion for Class Certification – July 10, 2008 Defendant's Opposition to Motion for Class Certification – August 7, 2008 Plaintiff's Reply (Unchanged) - August 15, 2008

The parties request this extension because, as Your Honor is already aware, we are engaging in extensive settlement discussions and a mediation on July 1, 2008. In order to focus our attention on resolving the parties' disputes, we respectfully request that Your Honor grant this brief extension. Your Honor did deny the parties' previous request for an extension, however, there we had not specified that we sought no extension to the Pre Trial Scheduling Order's date for completion of briefing.

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Thank you in advance for considering our request.

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## Endorsement:

Mediation is a wonderful thing but irrelevant insofar as a PTSO - i.e, it must be within the time table of the PTSO. Nonetheless these date changes that don't impact the August 15 date are fine with me.